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SUBJ: END OF JAPANESE TUNA FISHING CONCESSION IN  
INDONESIAN-CLAIMED WATERS

SUMMARY: INDONESIA GOVERNMENT HAS SIGNALLED TO  
JAPANESE THAT EXISTING TUNA FISHING CONCESSION WILL  
NOT BE EXTENDED IN PRESENT FORM WHEN IT EXPIRES IN 1975,  
LINKING CONTINUATION OF FISHING RIGHTS WITH GOJ RECOGNITION  
OF ARCHIPELAGO CONCEPT. RECENT SPATE OF ARRESTS OF  
JAPANESE FISHING VESSELS AND HEAVY FINES IMPOSED MAY  
REPRESENT ADDITIONAL INDONESIA PRESSURE TO BRING  
JAPANESE AROUND. END SUMMARY

1. BEK'S DAILY ECONOMIC BULLETIN APRIL 16 STATED THAT  
INDONESIA AND JAPANESE GOVERNMENTS HAVE REACHED A "MUTUAL  
UNDERSTANDING" TO DISCONTINUE JAPANESE TUNA FISHING  
CONCESSION IN INDONESIA-CLAIMED TERRITORIAL WATERS.

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ARTICLE QUOTED KAHONO MARTOHADINGORE, HEAD OF

FOREIGN DEPARTMENT DIRECTORATE FOR MULTILATERAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION, AS EXPLAINING THAT CONCESSION COULD NOT BE EXTENDED AND THAT "JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAS SHOWN UNDERSTANDING IN THIS MATTER." KAHANO NOTED THAT PRESENT AGREEMENT IS (WITH ANNUAL EXTENSIONS) VALID UNTIL JULY 26, 1975. HE REPORTEDLY CONCLUDED THAT JAPAN'S "RECOGNITION OF OUR ARCHIPELAGO CONCEPT" IS ONE OF FAVORS WHICH INDONESIA HAS OBTAINED IN RETURN FOR GRANTING CONCESSION UP TO NOW.

2. JAPANESE EMBASSY POLITICAL COUNSELOR MOGI TERMED "FLASE" KAHANO'S ASSERTATION THAT GOJ HAS RECOGNIZED ARCHIPELAGO CONCEPT. MOGI ADDED THAT GOI HAS INDEED GIVEN SIGNALS THAT IT WILL NOT RENEW "UNDER PRESENT ARRANGEMENT" FISHING CONCESSION WHEN IT EXPIRES IN 1975, WITH CLEAR IMPLICATION THAT GOJ RECOGNITION OF ARCHIPELAGO CONCEPT IS SINE QUA NON FOR NEW AGREEMENT, EITHER BETWEEN GOI AND JAPANESE FISHERY ASSOCIATIONS AS IS NOW CASE OR ON GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNMENT LEVEL.

3. MOGI TOLD EMBOFF "AS FRIEND" THAT EVEN MORE WORRISOME WAS RECENT SPATE OF ARRESTS OF JAPANESE VESSELS FOR ALLEGED FISHING OUTSIDE OF AGREED ZONE WHEREIN JAPANESE CAPTAINS HAVE BEEN FORCED TO SIGN FALSE "" CONFESSIONS" AND FINED HEAVILY (EG,\$30,000) DESPITE JAPANESE EMBASSY PROTESTS. MOGI READ THIS AS A RATHER CRUDE PRESSURE TACTIC ON PART OF INDONESIANS TO GET GOJ TO ACCEPT ARCHIPELAGO CONCEPT.

4. COMMENT: WE ARE NOT SURPRISED THAT GOI UNWILLING RENEW PRESENT FORM JAPANESE FISHING CONCESSION SINCE LOS CONFERENCE WHEN ARCHIPELAGO CONCEPT TO BE RAISED IS ON NEAR HORIZON. WHILE IT IS POSSIBLE THAT ARRESTS AND FINES ARE PART OF GOI TACTIC TO PUT HEAT ON GOJ, THERE IS ALSO POSSIBILITY THAT THESE MERELY REPRESENT INCIDENTS IN WHICH PROVINCIAL OFFICIALS SEE A CHANCE TO "RIP OFF" JAPANESE. NEWSOM

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